

Erie County Human Relations Commission

Minutes – January 25, 2016

Attendance

Commissioners: George Morgan, Bob Howden, Adam Williams, and Amy Danzer

Staff: Heidi Meyer

Discussion began at 6:22 pm.

Approval of Minutes

There was no quorum so minutes from October and notes from November could not be approved.

Open Discussion

Mary Hayes' caregiver responded to the letter sent saying that she has terminal cancer and cannot make decisions at this time. Because of this, she has not resigned but we may need to vacate her seat. Vicki Taylor was considering resigning as she has claimed she often works on the nights of the meetings according to Judy Jobes. She does have the meeting dates for the year with the letter that was sent. Willie McAdory has not responded to the letter at all. His cell phone is disconnected.

The housing testing firm has completed two tests. They are still looking for places, especially in Girard. They assure us they will have the testing done by the deadline in April.

The Housing Seminar is scheduled for April 27 but it is possible it will be changed to another day in April if influential speakers can be scheduled.

The Homebuilder's show will take place February 26-28. Volunteers will be needed to work. This will now be at the Shrine Club.

The City of Erie CDBG application deadline is January 29. Heidi is working on the application for us to get more money for testing. The CDBG application for Millcreek is February 19 but since they don't have impediments in their plan, they will not fund testing.

Joe Aguglia is drafting a revision of the ordinance that would expand protected classes to include things like source of income. Proposed changes in the bylaws that would include the Executive Committee determining whether absences are excused or not should be included. Reducing the number of seats on the advisory board which we cannot fill should also be included.

Meeting ended at 6:37 pm.